S.No.	District	Nos. Installed
12.	Sabarkantha	114
13.	Kutch	10
14.	Surendranagar	14
15.	Rajkot	11
16.	Jamnagar	4
17.	Junagadh	23
18.	Bhavnagar	64
19.	Amreli	79
20.	Anand	44
21.	Porbanadar	0
22.	Patan	14
23.	Dahod	10
24.	Narmada	91
25.	Navsari	20
	TOTAL:	1870

Central guarantees for PTC

1849. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Finance Ministry has opposed a proposal of the Power Ministry seeking Central guarantees for the Power Trading Corporation in order to enable the latter to access the debt market and enhance its liquidity; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF' STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) The issue regarding payment support to Power Trading Corporation has been discussed by the Ministry of Power with the Ministry of Finance, the concerned Union Ministries/ Departments of the Government of India and. the representatives of international financial institutions /Banks. Pursuant to these discussions, the Government is now considering a proposal for support to Power Trading

Corporation. However, there is no proposal to extend central guarantee for the Power Trading Corporation.

Expert Committee to improve power distribution system

†1850. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN': Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an expert committee was constituted by Central Electricity Authority for improving the power distribution system;

(b) if so, whether the said committee have also submitted a number of recommendations so far to the Government for improvement in the distribution system;

(c) if so, the details of such recommendations; and

(d) the quantum of electricity to be saved through the implementations of such recommendations as per the claim made by the said committee in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) The Ministry of Power had constituted a Committee of Experts under the Chairmanship of Member (Power Systems/Grid Operation) Central Electricity Authority with experts from utilities, financial institutions, manufacturers *etc.* to formulate guidelines and manuals for the improvement of sub-transmission and distribution systems in the country.

(b) and (c) The Sub-Committee has prepared Guidelines and Manuals covering the following aspects:

— Formulation of project report.

— Energy Accounting/Auditing and Reduction of loses in power system.

— Technical specifications of Distribution Transformers, HT shunt capacitors and associated control equipment, A.C.

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